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### BOOK REVIEWS

**Care and Feeding of the Infant: Practical Advice for Mothers and Nurses.** By George D. Lyman, A. B., M. D. With an introduction by Ray Lyman Wilbur, M. D., Dean of College of Medicine, Leland Stanford Jr. University. Paul Elder & Company, San Francisco, 1915.

Doctor Lyman's book, "Infant Feeding," with a very apt introduction by Doctor Wilbur, is produced in Elder's inimitable style. The book, as Doctor Lyman says, is the result of notes to the nurses and has many very valuable suggestions both for nurses and mothers. His suggestions to mothers on feeding and his dietaries and recipes are very well worked out and should be of considerable advantage to mothers of young babies in the preparation of their food. The various sections are well arranged and the material merits the careful consideration of every mother and every nurse working with children. We recommend the book most highly. W. P. L.

**The Care of the Baby.** By J. P. Crozer Griffith, M. D., Professor of Diseases of Children in the University of Pennsylvania. Sixth edition thoroughly revised. 12mo. of 463 pages, illustrated. Philadelphia and London: W. B. Saunders Company, 1915. Cloth, \$1.50 net.

This book contains much useful information to a mother in the care of her baby through the first few years. I recommend the chapters on the well baby, but not those on the sick baby unless, as the author has expressed in his preface, the mother is unable to get medical advice. The information that all mothers need, unless they have had a nurse's training, is that appertaining to the care and management of a well baby. C. B. M.

**Collected Papers of the Mayo Clinic,** Rochester, Minn. Edited by Mrs. M. H. Mellish. Vol. VI. 1914. W. B. Saunders, Philadelphia and London, Publishers. 1915.

These yearly publications always mark another

epoch in American surgery. They represent the advance of surgical efficiency and give us the result of honest straightforward statistics. The present collection of papers shows increased productions from the associated staff of the Mayo Clinic and less of the work of its original founders. Research and orthopedics assume more prominence yearly. The illustrations have always been good and improve with each issue. American medicine owes the Mayos a debt of gratitude. S. T. P.

**Fractures and Dislocations,—Diagnosis and Treatment.** By Miller E. Preston, A.B., M.D. With a chapter on Rontgenology by H. G. Stover, M.D. 860 illustrations. Published by C. V. Mosby Company, St. Louis, 1915.

This is a very practical book, full of pictures;—860 illustrations we are told. It is typically American in its neglect of lengthy discussions of pathology, though the surgical anatomy is well considered. Another good feature is the photographs of very recent dislocations and fractures exhibiting the characteristic deformities and postures of the patient. Many new ideas on treatment are brought forward and Albee's work on inlay bone grafts is given in detail. In spite of the author's fatal habit of splitting his infinitives and other blemishes apparent only to the hypercritical, it is altogether a very commendable work. S. T. P.

**The Prevention and Treatment of Infections.** By Oliver T. Osborne, A.M., M.D., New Haven, Conn. Published by Journal of the American Medical Association, Chicago, 1915.

Recently in the Journal of the American Medical Association there appeared a series of articles entitled "Prevention Greater Than Cure." In this series were many valuable papers that have no doubt found their way into many a physician's scrap-book. They now appear in print gathered into a handy little volume under the title as above. For those who are interested in hygiene, especially social hygiene as it affects the health of the growing child, this book is extremely valuable. Incidentally, this useful volume formulates to the practitioner the answers to the majority of questions that the average wide-awake and magazine-reading patient is very apt to ask. G. H. T.

**Gynecology.** Edited by E. C. Dudley, A.M. M.D., and H. M. Stowe, M.D. Practical Medicine Series, 1915. Volume 4. Published by Year Book Publishing Co., Chicago, 1915. Price, \$1.35. **Pediatrics.** Edited by Isaac A. Abt. Orthopedic Surgery. Edited by John Ridlon and Charles A. Parker. Practical Medicine Series, 1915. Volume 5. Published by Year Book Publishing Co., Chicago. 1915. Price, \$1.35.

No particular volume of this valuable series is ever much above or much below a fairly high standard. Of course, each specialty is taken care of by some editor-in-chief and his personality will usually dominate the presentation of his subject. Other than this, it may be said, in general, that the volumes of the Year Book as they appear month after month and year after year invariably provide their readers with an excellent résumé and abstract of the most important articles of each of the medical specialties. The errors of omission are few indeed and no partiality or bias are in evidence. To repeat, in substance, a former review: these volumes afford the medical man a valuable means by which he may at all times keep up with the best articles in each of the specialties. G. H. T.